Uthimood Peroochal road.

68. * **Mr. K. S. Joseph** (*Mavelikara and Tiruvalla* cum *Pathanamthitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether representations have been received from interested ryots praying that the Uthimood Peroochal road be taken under departmental maintenance ;

(*b*) if so, when it was first received ;

(*c*) the date of construction of the road ; and

(*d*) what steps they have taken to comply with the request?

Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In 1920.

(*c*) About the year 1920.

(*d*) The ryots have to complete their portion of the work according to the Ryots' Road Rules, but steps are being taken to see if the road, as it exists, can be taken up under departmental maintenance.

Mr. K. S Joseph : May I know whether a copy of the Ryots' Road Rules have been given to the ryots concerned?

Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan : I do not know. I hope it will be very soon published for the information of the ryots.

Mr. K. S. Joseph : May I know why for the last 25 years it was not possible for the Department to take that road under departmental maintenance?

Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan : As I said the rules will be published very soon. As a matter of fact the rules were made available to the public from a very long time and they must be aware of the implications contained therein.

Karukappadam in Karunagapalli.

69. * **Mr. N. Narayana Kurup :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is a field known as Karukappadam on either side of the Ochira-Ayiramthengu road in Karunagapalli ;

(*b*) if so, what is the extent of that field ;

(*c*) whether it is being cultivated annually ;

(*d*) whether it is liable to the ingress of salt water during cultivation ;

(*e*) whether they have through their subordinates received any applications from the owners for remission of tax this year or before on the ground of failure of crop due to the ingress of salt water ; and

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